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Item 9a, Column 5: Provide the number of students eligible for NSLP as of the October 1st prior to the filing of this form, or use the most current figure available. For "New School Construction" or for an "Administrative Entity," enter "0" in this item. You may choose to use an actual count of students eligible for the NSLP or use federally approved alternative mechanisms to determine the level of poverty for purposes of the universal service discount program. Schools using a federally approved alternative mechanism may use participation in other income-assistance programs, such as Medicaid, food stamps, Supplementary Security Income (SSI), federal public housing assistance (Section 8), or Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) to determine the number of students that would be eligible for the NSLP. See 34 C.F.R. § 200.28(a)(2)(i)(B). For more information, please refer to the "Alternative Discount Mechanisms Fact Sheet" posted on the SLD section of the USAC web site.